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SUBJ: PRAVDA COMMENT ON NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

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1. FIRST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN SOVIET PRESS SEEKS TO COUNTER BOTH THIRD WORLD CRITICISM OF SOVIET DETENTE POLICY AND ALGERIAN SUGGESTION FOR NEW DEFINITION OF NON-ALIGNMENT. WHILE COMMENTARY SEEMS TO COINCIDE WITH BREZHNEV'S STATEMENT TO CONFERENCE (REFTEL), THAT STATEMENT INEXPLICABLY HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED IN PRESS HERE TO DATE.

2. PRAVDA SEPTEMBER 1 CARRIES LENGTHY ARTICLE BY ITS CORRESPONDENT O. ORESTOV ON ALGIERS CONFERENCE. ORESTOV ELABORATES SOVIET SUPPORT FOR A NON-ALIGNMENT PHILOSOPHY BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF "ANTI-IMPERIALISM" AND SUPPORT FOR RELAXATION IN WORLD TENSIONS, AND CRITICIZES EFFORTS IN SOME QUARTERS TO DIVERT NON-ALIGNED STATES FROM THIS "TRADITIONAL COURSE."

3. ORESTOV SINGLES OUT FOR SPECIAL CRITICISM THOSE CIRCLES (UNSPECIFIED) AT ALGIERS WHO ARE PUTTING FORTH A "FALSE THESIS ABOUT THE INCOMPATIBILITY OF INTERESTS BETWEEN RICH AND POOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COUNTRIES." HE NOTES THAT SUCH A THESIS SUPPORTS EFFORTS BY

IMPERIALISTS AND PEKING TO DIVIDE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAMP, PUTS
IMPERIALISTS AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN SAME CAMP, AND DIVERTS
NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT FROM ITS ANTI-IMPERIALIST COURSE. HE
STATES THAT SUCH EFFORTS WILL NOT SUCCEED BECAUSE MAJORITY AT THE
NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE STAND FOR PRESERVING THE MILITANT ANTI-
IMPERIALIST CHARACTER OF THEIR MOVEMENT.

4. PRAVDA WEEKLY INTERNATIONAL REVIEW PUTS IT MORE SUCCINCTLY:
SOME CIRCLES WANT TO DRIVE WEDGE BETWEEN "SOCIALIST COMMON-
WEALTH" AND THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.
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